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In compliance with the Applicant's duty of disclosure set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and pursuant to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.97, et seq., Applicant brings to the attention of the Examiner the information contained in the following for consideration during the examination of the above-referenced patent application:

U.S. Patent Documents

Patent No.	<u>Issued</u>	Inventor(s)
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1,856,799	May 3, 1932	Waters
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4,708,183	November 24, 1987	Figueroa
3,368,601	February 13, 1968	Gantert-Merz
4,328,271	May 4, 1982	Rountree

Non-Patent Literature

1. Fitted Tablecloths, <u>www.tabletopshop.com/product1.htm</u>, Printed July 29, 2002, 2 pages.

It is respectfully submitted that the Applicant's invention defines patentable subject matter over the teachings of the above references, alone or in any combination thereof. Accordingly, favorable action on this application is respectfully requested. A completed form PTO/SB/08A and PTO/SB/08B, delineating the above references, is enclosed, as well as a copy of each of the references.

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